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OKEFENOKEE PARKWAY — DESIGNATED.

No. 223 (House Resolution No. 525-1114).

A RESOLUTION

Designating U. S. Highway 1 from Waycross to Folkston and Georgia State Routes 40 and 23 and 121 from Interstate 95 through Folkston to the Florida line as the "Okefenokee Parkway"; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the main entrance in Charlton County to the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge is located approximately seven miles south of Folkston, Georgia, on Georgia State Routes 23 and 121; and the main entrance in Ware County is approximately five miles south on U. S. Highway 1; and

WHEREAS, the federal government is expending approximately \$2,000,000.00 to develop fishing, boating, picnicking and other recreational facilities at a site known as Camp Cornelia; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Department has expended \$126,082.00 to construct a four-mile connecting highway from Georgia State Routes 23 and 121 to Camp Cornelia; and

WHEREAS, the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge is the largest scenic wildlife refuge in the Southeastern United States; and

WHEREAS, this area of Georgia is fast becoming a large tourist attraction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the General Assembly of Georgia that U. S. Highway 1 from Waycross to Folkston and Georgia State Routes 40 and 23 and 121 from Interstate 95 through Folkston to the Florida line are hereby designated as the "Okefenokee Parkway."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Highway Department is hereby authorized and directed to erect appropriate exit markings at the junction of Interstate 95 with State Highway 40 and along U. S. Highway 1 from Waycross to Folkston and along State Routes 40 and 23 and 121 from Interstate 95 to the Florida line evidencing their designation as the "Okefenokee Parkway" and appropriate markings at the main entrance to Camp Cornelia and the Okefenokee Swamp Park at Waycross.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby instructed to transmit an appropriate copy of this Resolution to the mayor and council of the City of Folkston and the City of Waycross.

Approval Date: Approved April 9, 1968.